considering establishing a Cotton Technology Mission; and

(b) if so, the objectives thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI R.L. JALAPPA): (a) and (b) There is no provision for establishing a Cotton Technology Mission, at present.

Development work undertaken in the Paradip Port during Eighth Plant

*186. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Questions 1766 given in the Rajya Sabha on 31st July, 1996 and state the details of the work undertaken during Eighth Five year plan so far and the funds spent thereon for the development of paradip port?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN): Against a revised 8th plan outlay of Rs. 350.00 crores in respect of Paradip Port, an expenditure of about Rs. 279 crores is anticipated by the end of March, 1997 on the work undertaken during the 8th plan.

Major Schemes undertaken at paradip port during the 8th plan are:—

1. Construction of multipurpose cargo berth. (commissioned).

2. Extension of Western Quary (Commissioned).

3. Creation of Mechanised Coal Handling Facility including construction of two coal berths. (under progress).

Approval of irrigation projects for Orissa

*187. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Orissa had submitted some irrigation project proposals for approval of the Central Government in recent past;

(b) if so, the details of those proposals;

(c) whether the Central Government have recently cleared some irrigation projects; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) and (b) Details of new Major & Medium Irrigation Projects received from Orissa Government for techno-economic appraisal during last one year.

Sl. No.	Name of Project	Latest Estimated Cost (Rs. Crores)	Ultimate Irrigation Potential (Thousand hectares)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	MAJOR		
1.	Rengali Irrigation Sub Project Left Bank Canal-II	705.15	93.501
2.	Rengali Irrigation Sub Project Right Bank Main Canal (0 to 112 KM)	847.34	192.877
3.	Lower Indra Irrigation	191.56	38.87
4.	Lower Suktel	211.44	29.84
	MEDIUM		
1.	Dhauragoth	14.90	3.01

(c) and (d) Details of Major & Medium irrigation Projects given investment clearance by the Planning Commission